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House Bill _____
By _____

Senate No. SJR0095
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A RESOLUTION to honor and congratulate Derek E. Geeting on placing first in the statewide Math Contest in Geometry for the 1993-1994 school year.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the elected representatives of the State of Tennessee should pause to pay tribute to students who have distinguished themselves; and

WHEREAS, Derek Geeting is one such student, an exemplary senior at Shelbyville Central High School, has an excellent grade point average of 4.3 and ranks 10th in his class; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Geeting has achieved the highest grade point average in the following subjects: Algebra I & II, French I & II, Geometry, Trigonometry, Pre-Calculus, and Chemistry; and

WHEREAS, Derek has participated in the following tough math contests: Regional Math Contest--Placed 11th in Algebra I Division, TMTA Regional Math Contest--Placed 8th in Algebra II Division, Academics Bowl Math II Contest--Placed 1st, TMTA Regional Math Contest--Placed 1st in Geometry Division, achieving the highest score in the state; and

WHEREAS, in addition to placing first in the state contest, this very intelligent student placed first in the Regional Math Contest and in the Mid-state Math Contest and was an incredible 16 points better than his nearest competition in the state contest; and

WHEREAS, he is a member of the National Honor Society, VICA Club, Business Professionals of America Club and the Interact Club; and

WHEREAS, Derek is a fine example of the best traditions of the volunteer state serving as a student tutor for the past three years, tutoring fellow students after school on his own time without charge; and

WHEREAS, he was accepted for the prestigious Governor's School for the Sciences and participated in the AEDC Apprenticeship Program; and has also been voted Senior Superlative-- Most Intellectual by his fellow classmates; and

WHEREAS, Derek also worked tirelessly to aid Alabama tornado victims in the summer of 1994 by packing food items and clothing to be distributed to those in need; and

WHEREAS, Derek is also a devout member of his church, El Bethel Church of Christ and is active in events sponsored by his student council; and

WHEREAS, he is very appreciative of the love and support he has received from his family and friends, and particularly the encouragement and commitment shown by Mrs. Ardis Rittenberry, who challenged Derek's abilities to exceed beyond his expectations; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Rittenberry has stated "Derek is certainly a leader. He is an excellent role model. He lets others know it is acceptable to be good in academics. Derek lets peers know that you can excel in the classroom and still have fun. His integrity is above reproach. He never puts himself in compromising situations, in school or in his personal life. Derek has a most pleasant personality. He is a very humble person, in spite of his intelligence and accomplishments. He is a compassionate person as well."; and

WHEREAS, highly regarded by students and friends, Derek Geeting is a perfect example of a student striving for quality education and personal achievement and should be specially recognized; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, That we hereby honor and congratulate Derek Geeting on achieving the highest score in the state of Tennessee on the TMTA Math Contest, salute his expertise and dedication as a student, and wish him all the best in his future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

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